

**MACON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CALLED MEETING
JUNE 7, 2011 – 6 P.M.
MINUTES**

Chairman McClellan called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Commissioners' Boardroom on the third floor of the courthouse. All Board Members, the County Manager, Deputy Clerk, Finance Director, County Attorney, members of the news media and interested citizens were present.

INVOCATION: Chairman McClellan gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge to the flag was recited.

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-12 BUDGET:

Chairman McClellan explained that the purpose of the meeting was to receive public comment on the county's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2011-12, and he opened the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. No one from the public signed up to speak. Commissioners Beale, Corbin, Kuppers and Haven individually thanked the County Manager, the Finance Director and the county's department heads for their efforts in preparing the budget. Commissioner Beale said that the Cullasaja Gorge Fire Department had "rethought" its request for a half-cent tax increase and would be withdrawing it, with a letter to the County Manager to be forthcoming. Chairman McClellan said he appreciated the commissioners working together and he felt they had done a good job covering essential services. Chairman McClellan closed the public hearing at 6:12 p.m.

REQUEST FROM COMMISSIONER CORBIN: Commissioner Corbin provided the board members with information on proposed state legislation (Senate Bill 517) that he said would essentially impede the ability of insurance companies to negotiate rates with hospitals, and requested – pending the consensus of the board – that the County Attorney be asked to prepare a resolution opposing the legislation for the board to consider at its June 14th meeting. There were no objections.

ADJOURN: Chairman McClellan adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Jack Horton, County Manager
Clerk to the Board

Brian McClellan
Board Chairman